

REFERENCE TITLE: license plates; attachment; prohibition

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# **SB 1414**

Introduced by  
Senators Rios, Miranda: Cheuvront, Hale, Soltero

## AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-2354, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS RENUMBERED BY LAWS 1996, CHAPTER 76, SECTION 7; AMENDING SECTION 28-2354, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2006, CHAPTER 377, SECTION 1; RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 28-2354, Arizona Revised Statutes, as renumbered by  
3 Laws 1996, chapter 76, section 7, is amended to read:  
4       28-2354. License plates: attachment; applying covering or  
5       substance prohibited  
6       A. A person shall display the license plate or plates as follows:  
7           1. For a motor vehicle, motorcycle, trailer or semitrailer, on the  
8 rear.  
9           2. For a vehicle for which two license plates are issued, the vehicle  
10 owner shall display either of the following:  
11           (a) One plate on the rear.  
12           (b) One plate on the front and one plate on the rear.  
13       B. A person shall display all license plates as required by subsection  
14 A until their lawful use expires or is canceled or revoked. A person shall  
15 maintain each license plate so it is clearly legible. A person shall  
16 securely fasten each license plate to the vehicle as follows:  
17           1. To prevent the plate from swinging.  
18           2. At a height of at least twelve inches from the ground to the bottom  
19 of the plate.  
20           3. In a position to be clearly visible.  
21       C. UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A PERSON SHALL NOT APPLY A  
22 COVERING OR ANY SUBSTANCE TO THE LICENSE PLATE OR USE AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE OR  
23 ELECTROCHROMATIC FILM THAT OBSCURES FROM ANY ANGLE THE NUMBERS, CHARACTERS,  
24 YEAR VALIDATING TABS OR NAME OF THE JURISDICTION ISSUING THE PLATE.  
25 Sec. 2. Section 28-2354, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws  
26 2006, chapter 377, section 1, is amended to read:  
27       28-2354. License plates: attachment; applying covering or  
28       substance prohibited  
29       A. A person shall display the license plate or plates as follows:  
30           1. For a motor vehicle, motorcycle, trailer or semitrailer, on the  
31 rear.  
32           2. For a vehicle for which two license plates are issued, the vehicle  
33 owner shall display either of the following:  
34           (a) One plate on the rear.  
35           (b) One plate on the front and one plate on the rear.  
36       B. A person shall display all license plates as required by subsection  
37 A until their lawful use expires or is canceled or revoked. A person shall  
38 maintain each license plate so it is clearly legible and so that the name of  
39 this state at the top of the license plate is not obscured. A person shall  
40 securely fasten each license plate to the vehicle as follows:  
41           1. To prevent the plate from swinging.  
42           2. At a height of at least twelve inches from the ground to the bottom  
43 of the plate.  
44           3. In a position to be clearly visible.

1       C. UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A PERSON SHALL NOT APPLY A  
2 COVERING OR ANY SUBSTANCE TO THE LICENSE PLATE OR USE AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE OR  
3 ELECTROCHROMATIC FILM THAT OBSCURES FROM ANY ANGLE THE NUMBERS, CHARACTERS,  
4 YEAR VALIDATING TABS OR NAME OF THE JURISDICTION ISSUING THE PLATE.

5           Sec. 3. Effective date

6           Section 28-2354, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2006,  
7 chapter 377, section 1 and this act, is effective from and after December 31,  
8 2008.